# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
# LOK SABHA

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NEW CONSUMER POLICY
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**Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:**

(a) the progress made with regard to the formulation of the New Consumer Policy so far;

(b) whether consultations have been held with the Ministries/Departments and other stake holders concerned in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the decisions taken thereon; and

(d) the time by which it is likely to be finalised?

## Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR)

(a) & (b): The Department of Consumer Affairs has prepared a Draft National Consumer Policy document after consultation and discussion with all the stakeholders. These include voluntary consumer organizations, Central Ministries/Departments, Union Territories and State Governments. Process for its formal approval and adoption has commenced for obtaining final views of the Central Ministries/Departments to whom the document has been circulated on 22.11.2006.

(c) : Decision will be made after obtaining the final views of the Central Ministries/ Departments.

(d) : In view of (c) above, the time frame for finalizing this policy cannot be indicated.